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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 26, 2008. Although the 3 month due date for a response was Monday May 26, 2008, this amendment is properly submitted on Tuesday May 27, 2008, because May 26, 2008 was Memorial Day, a federal holiday. [MPEP 710.05]. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in light of this paper, which is set forth as follows:

- **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.